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DRUG DELIVERY

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated August 27, 2002, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-11) drawn to a method of delivering and increasing systemic bioavailability of a hormone administered by inhalation are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

Responsive to the requirement for an election of species for searching purposes, Applicants hereby elect insulin as the species. Claims readable on the elected species are 1, 2 and 7-11.